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TAGS: PINT, CH

SUBJECT: NCNA GIVES LI TEH-SHENG PROMINENCE

1. IN REPORTING CONGRATULATORY MESSAGES ON THE TENTH PARTY CONGRESS FROM FRIENDLY ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS ABROAD, NCNA SEPTEMBER 27 SINGLED OUT NEW CCP VICE CHAIRMAN LI TEH-SHENG AS A RECIPIENT OF SUCH MESSAGES, ALONG WITH MAO AND PREMIER CHOU. NONE OF THE OTHER NEW VICE CHAIRMEN--QWANG HUNGAWEN, Q KANG SHENG, AND YEH CHIEN-YING--WERE MENTIONED. WHAT FIRST COMES TO MIND IS THAT LI MAY BE ABOUT TO EMERGE AS THE NEW DEFENSE MINISTER, WHEN THE NATIONAL PEOPLE'S CONGRESS CONVENES. SINCE THE PARTY CONGRESS, LI HAS LED A PRESTIGIOUS MISSION TO NORTH KOREA, AND ALSO HOSTED AN EVENING'S ENTERTAINMENT FOR LEADERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE AND THE MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMISSION (WR 38).

2. ANOTHER THOUGHT, AND NOT EXCLUSIVE OF THIS, IS THAT PRC MEDIA MAY BE MAKING SOME EFFORT TO SPREAD AROUND AND TO BALANCE THE ATTENTION IT GIVES TO INDIVIDUAL FIGURES IN THE NEW  
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LEADERSHIP. (13.G. WANG HUNL-WEN HAS BEEN PROMINENT IN

MAO'S MEETINGS WITH FOREIGN VIP'S, WHILE CHIANG CHING HAS HAD  
RENEWED CREDIT FOR HER ROLE IN CULTURE; SEE WR39).  
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